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**AMENDMENT**

**In the Specification**

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**--PRIORITY**

a' The present application is a continuation application of PCT/GB00/03035, filed August 7, 2000, which claims priority to GB application GB 9918611.6 filed August 7, 1999.

**TECHNICAL FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

The invention is related to the field of search engines and databases adapted to search for particular musical sequences or phrases in a database of sound files in a computer system.